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Applicants

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For

METHOD OF REDUCTION TREATMENT OF METAL OXIDES OR

STEELMAKING WASTE AND METHOD OF CONCENTRATING AND

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a three (3) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed on September 6, 2007 for which a three (3) month response period expiring on December 6, 2007 was set. The extended period expires effectively on March 6, 2008.

Please charge the extension fee of One Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$1,050.00) for a three (3) month extension of time to Deposit Account 11-0600. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account 11-0600. A copy of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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